

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A page for sending to a client process from a server during network management incorporates a form having a plurality of input fields and a submit button. The form is associated with either a first submit method or a second submit method. The first submit method is for  
5 obtaining information about a state of a particular network device. The second submit method is for changing the state of a particular network device. The page is sent to the client process. In response to activation of the submit button in the client process, routines are executed to operate on the particular network device based on which submit method was associated with the form. Using these techniques, a single set of input fields can be designed  
10 for both displaying and editing the state of network devices.